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Services Sunday, May 6th

Bridesville, 11 a. m.

Greenwood, 7.30 p.m.

Greenwood Theatre

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SATURDAY, MAY 5th

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Notice

Dr. O. M. Graves, Dentist, will be in Ferry, Wash., the first 8 days of every month.

Anaconda

The Maple Leaf Social Club held their last meeting of the season on Friday evening, April 27. After business was over cards were the order of the evening and a pleasant evening was spent. Mrs. J. P. Anderson won the lady's first prize; O. Lofstad the gent's first; Mrs. Mellrud the lady's booby and R. Roylance the gent's booby. All members are looking forward to the time when the Club re-opens in October.

Around Home

Chas. Martin, of Oliver, was in town on Monday.

Wm. Thompson, of Beaverdell, is visiting friends at the coast.

Jim Graham has returned from Idaho where he spent the winter.

Cash paid for hides at Brown's Midway.

The Provincial Voters' List closes May 5th. Be sure your name is on the list.

John R. Jackson, of Midway, is attending the Bull Sale in Kamloops this week.

Dr. G. H. Acres, the district commissioner of the Boy Scouts, was in town on Tuesday.

Keep in mind the auction sale at Capt. Atkinson ranch at Rock Creek on Saturday, May 5th.

Mrs. Pat McDermody, formerly of Greenwood died last month at her home in Pemberton Meadows.

Mrs. L. Portman returned on Wednesday afternoon from a few weeks visit to Grand Forks.

Miss Louise McDonald is spending the week the guest of Mrs. H. Snell, at the Riverside Hotel.

D. McPherson, of Grand Forks, was in town for a few days this week demonstrating a new Superior Chevrolet car.

Chas. Bubar, of Beaverdell, was in town on Wednesday. Chas. has taken an agency for the new "Star" automobile.

Mrs. E. S. Lockwood who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. P. Anderson for some weeks is now in Victoria for a few weeks prior to returning to her home in Jersey City.

M. F. Madden, who has been the guest of his nephew, Wm. Madden, for the past ten days, left this morning for Vancouver, from where he will go to Portland, Ore., and later to Wyoming.

M. W. Ludlow, of Coltern, was in town this morning en route by motor to Exter, in the Cariboo, where he has an interest in an hotel. It is Mr. Ludlow's fifth trip in and he expects to reach his destination by Sunday.

J. D. Galloway, government mining engineer for the Hazelton district, was renewing acquaintances in town for a few days this week. Mr. Galloway is a former resident of Greenwood having lived here in the early days.

The man who has courage of self-denial when the winds are fair will not have much inconvenience when the storms come on. It is the thoughtless spending of money and the reckless undertaking of obligations when times are good that make the burden heavy when the change comes.

The Women's Missionary Society met at Mrs. G. Inglis on Tuesday evening the 1st inst. Plans were made for active work of the Society. A chapter of "Mary Slessor" was read and enjoyed. The Society intend studying the book recommended for the Women's Missionary Society, viz., "Building the Nation." This should prove of much interest and value to the members as Canadian citizens and Christians. It deals with the problems of the new Canadian.

After residing in the district for over a quarter of a century D. R. McElmon left last Friday for Blaine, Wash., to recuperate his health which has been failing for some months. For 23 years he was postmaster at Eholt and during the past few years conducted a watch repairing and jewelery store in Greenwood. It is hoped that he will soon regain his health and returned to Greenwood where he is so well and favorably known. His son Roy, who has been in town for a few weeks, accompanied his father to Blaine.

Death of Mrs. Putzel

Mrs. Johana Putzel, wife of L. G. Putzel, died suddenly at her home in Greenwood on Friday, April 27th, at the age of 36 years. She was married over 20 years ago and has been a resident of Greenwood for over 15 years. Besides a sorrowing husband she leaves 3 sons and 3 daughters. One son Joseph is in Richmond, Cal. She also leaves a sister and brother in Colorado.

The funeral was held on Monday morning and was largely attended. The services were held in the Roman Catholic Church by the Rev. Father Cocola. Many sympathizing friends sent floral tributes. Interment took place in the Roman Catholic cemetery. The pall bearers were: Dan McGillis, R. D. McKenzie, R. Lee, Chas. Gauvreau, Jack Keady and H. McKee.

After all these years according to a cable announcement from London, England, Queen Mary has consented to have a "V" opening in front of her dress, and the cable goes on to say that there is much rejoicing among the court ladies and the ladies of the old familiss throughout the Empire. It seems to be a small matter, But is it? We thought so at first, and determined to consult some men of light and leading on the subject. All with one accord answered in substance, "Queen Mary is a sensible woman! The men like low necks all right for the women look nice and cool in them in summer, and so brave in them in winter.

Joe Christian, of Christian Valley, has just received news of the death of his mother at St. Anicet, Quebec. Her husband died a little over a year ago. Many Greenwood people will remember Mr. and Mrs. Francis Chretien coming to visit their sons, Joe and John Christian about eight years ago. They stayed about a year before returning home. Mrs. Christian contracted the grippe which was the cause of her death. Nine children survive her, John and Joe of Christian Valley, Mrs. Alcide Bornais of Kelowna, Sister Fabiola of Winnipeg, Frank, Tom and Mrs. Robitaille of Glengarry County, Ont., Hector and George of St. Anicet.

The veal calf has come to the market, and from now on he will furnish modest tables with delicious food. There will be veal chops, veal steaks, veal loaf. These are the aristocratic servings of veal, but none of them is quite so good as plain old stewed veal with pot pie made by a woman whom nature and grace has fitted for her job. There is nothing with this dish except its temptation to eat too much. To guard against this it is well for a man to see to it that when he sits down he is not more than six inches away from the table, and when he touches quit. It takes a strong resolution to enforce this rule, but if a man would practice it all summer, he would have a University Education in self denial.

James S. Birnie arrived in Princeton Tuesday, purchased a supply of provisions and then proceeded out to Mr. Kennedy's ranch where he will spend the next few weeks. After that he expects to have a position at Allenby with the Granby Company, with whom he has spent several years. For many years Mr. Birnie was an employee in the Government Office at Greenwood. Prior to that he spent 3 years with the mounted police and back in the nineties was engaged in southern Manitoba, on survey work under Mr. C. E. Shaw, now a resident of the lower valley. Mr. Birnie's arrival in our district, with a promise of a job from the Granby, is an indication that the company do not intend to waste any time in commencing operations after transfer of title to the property is completed.—Princeton Star.

Crop Growing Competition Rock Creek District

Below are the aules and plans for the Crop Growers Competition in the Rock Creek District. Besides the prizes Mr. McLennan is supplying the seed and the students competiting are taking quite an interest.

RULES

1. Students who have written the U. B. C. Short Course examinations are eligible for the competition.

2. Apart from preparation of land, such as plowing, discing and harrowing, all work shall be done by the competitors.

3. Crops shall be planted according to the outlined plan.

4. Three crops shall be grown, corn, roots, and potatoes.

5. The same kind of seed for all experiments will be bought at the Co-Operative Store, Rock Creek.

6. A certain portion of the crop shall be prepared and exhibited at the Fall Fair. Quantities to be shown are:

6 ears of corn.
12 potatoes.
6 roots.

7. Each exhibit is to be marked by a number, not by name of exhibitor.

8. An explicit report shall accompany each exhibit. This report shall deal with:

1. Type of soil (surface, subsoil).
2. Manure and fertilizers.
3. Preparation of land.
4. Date and method of seeding.
5. Cultivation and care.
6. Date and method of harvesting.
7. Approximate weights on plot and yield per acre.

PLAN

Entire Plot 27 ft. wide by 21 ft. long.

Crops	Hills or Plants	Distances
Corn	21	3 ft. x 3 ft.
Potatoes	42	3 ft. x 18 in.
Roots	93	3 ft. x 8 in.

Seed available	Seed needed	Seed per hill
210	105	5
25 tubers	21 (split)	1 set
2 oz.	1 oz.	—

Four-Year-Old Boy Gains Fame on the Screen

Richard Headrick, who has gained fame on the screen for his acting, plays a prominent part in the John M. Stahl production, "The Song of Life," to be presented through Associated First National Pictures, Inc., at the Greenwood Theatre on Saturday, May 5th.

Richard will be remembered for his exceptional work in "The Woman in His House" and "The Child Thou Gavest Me," both of which productions were directed by Mr. Stahl. He is an extremely clever actor, as well as an appealing little figure.

Kettle Valley Notes

S. T. Larsen is in from Penticton.

F. Welstead has purchased a new car.

Miss Welstead was a visitor to Grand Forks last Monday.

J. S. Warrington was in Greenwood during the week-end.

A. E. Bonnett has bought an Overland car from C. Bubar.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Clarke were down from Carmi on Tuesday.

Capt. and Mrs. S. Brew and family have arrived from Grand Forks.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Martin entertained a large number of friends on Saturday.

The W. A. held their meeting this week at the home of Mrs. F. E. Glossop.

Comdr. N. Lewis returned on Saturday from a trip in the Okanagan.

Mrs. W. H. N. Glossop entertained a large number of friends last Sunday.

Ed. Richter and R. Bruce left on Tuesday's train for Kamloops to attend the Bull Sale.

There will be service in the Anglican Church on Sunday, May 6th at 7 p.m., instead of in the morning.

A large number from Greenwood turned out to enjoy the Banff Orchestra Dance in Riverside Hall on Tuesday evening.

T. R. Hanson is busy spring cleaning and will soon have the Rock Creek Hotel in fine shape. He already has made his name for putting up splendid meals.

Midway News

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Johnson, a daughter, on April 27.

News was received in town of the arrival of a son to Mr. and Mrs. C. K. McArthur, Butte, Mont. Mrs. McArthur was formerly Miss Edna Kerr.

April 27th marked the opening of the baseball season here. Curlew and Midway played a fine game which was chiefly for practice, the score being 4-3 in favor of Curlew.

On April 29th Midway played Republic at baseball, the score being 7-2 in favor of Midway. The prize, a bat, was awarded to the winners. There will be a game between Curlew and Midway next Sunday afternoon, May 6th, at Midway diamond.

Card of Thanks

We desire to express our sincere thanks to the people of Greenwood and district for their sympathy and kindness shown us in our bereavement, and for the floral tributes received.

L. G. PUTZEL AND FAMILY.

AUCTION SALE

Captain G. L. Atkinson, Rock Creek, B. C., has given instructions to sell by Public Auction, at his

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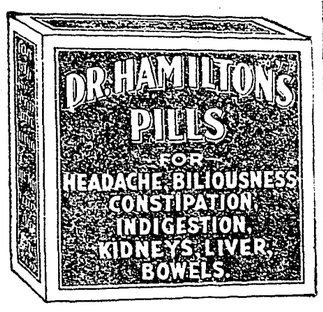

Testing Seed Grain For Control of Smut

New Process By Means of Copper Carbonate is Being Tested

It is estimated that over forty million bushels of wheat will be sown in the three prairie provinces this season, Saskatchewan in the lead with 25,000,000 bushels, Alberta second with 10,000,000, and Manitoba third with 6,000,000 bushels. Unless this seed grain is treated so as to control smut, the yield would be reduced by many millions of bushels and the quality of the crop suffer seriously, so that the proper treatment of seed grain is of the highest importance to western farmers.

A new process of treating seed grain for controlling smut by means of copper carbonate in dust form, is being tried out in Saskatchewan this year, it is announced by M. P. Tullis, Field Crops Commissioner. This method is being used in Montana, Washington, Oregon and some parts of Australia in place of formalin and while the cost is considerably higher than formalin there is no danger of affecting the vitality of the seed or of the grain being damaged by frost while wet and seed grain may be treated a month before seeding without losing its effectiveness or injuring the grain.

"Another advantage claimed for this new treatment is that it is very easily applied and does not have the disagreeable features when working with it as the formalin treatment," states Mr. Tullis, "although a cheap dust mask should be placed over the nose and mouth to avoid inhaling the poison dust. The present cost of the copper carbonate dust treatment is about four cents a bushel as two ounces is required to treat a bushel of grain, but should the treatment be finally found to give better results than the formalin treatment, manufacturers would probably be able to sufficiently increase the supply and lower the cost so that the expense of treating by copper carbonate should not be much higher than the formalin treatment, which this year costs approximately one cent per bushel.

"Loose smut of barley is becoming fairly common in some districts of Saskatchewan, the hot water treatment is the only known method of killing loose smut of wheat and barley. This is laborious and time consuming, and even though the process of treatment is costly it should be resorted to where necessary. There are three distinct steps in the process: (a) Soak the grain for several hours in water at living-room temperature to take the chill off the grain. (b) Place two galvanized iron tubs, partly filled with water, on a kerosene or gasoline stove. The temperature of tub No. 1 should be not quite 126 deg. F., tub No. 2 exactly 129 deg. F. (c) For wheat soak in tub No. 1 one minute and in tub No. 2 ten minutes. For barley the same length of time in No. 1 and fifteen minutes in No. 2. In this case tub No. 2 should be 126 deg. F. The temperature of No. 2 tub should remain exactly at the prescribed temperature during the whole period of soaking and an accurate thermometer should be used as a rise in temperature above may damage the germination of the seed, while a fall of any great amount below will not likely destroy many of the smut spores. Be exact as to time and temperature during the whole period of immersion in tub No. 2. In passing through tubs Nos. 1 and 2 use a loosely woven sack holding about a peck. The seed should be spread out and thoroughly dried and not allowed to freeze. If there is time a germination test is advisable.

"The formalin treatment, the treatment generally practiced in the west, controls covered smuts of wheat, oats and barley and loose smut of oats, and aids in the control of flax wilt. Formalin is a 40 per cent. solution of formaldehyde. One pound of formalin is used with forty gallons of water. Before the grain is treated, unbroken smut balls should be got rid of by the fanning mill or by floating off. Most farmers now have machines for passing the grain through and most of these do the work very satisfactorily. The object, of course, is to moisten the surface of every kernel. Afterwards the grain should be spread out to dry and seeded as quickly as possible after that. The longer the grain stands without being seeded after treatment the more danger there is of the vitality being damaged. If the grain is sprinkled, about a gallon of the solution should be used for each bushel. After sprinkling, the piles the piles should be covered with bags or burlap and left for about three hours so that the gas may permeate the whole pile. Then spread out the piles and dry. Sprinkling should always be used for flax. A mist spray is the best. The flax should be raked over as it is drying to prevent caking. Treated seed should not be allowed to freeze.

"Bluestone treatment is not as satisfactory as formalin, since its application very often seriously affects the vitality of the seed especially in the case of oats and barley. It is also only of real value in the control of covered or stinking smut for wheat."

Drought In West Indies

Suffering and Loss Caused By Three Years' Aridity

One of the severest droughts within memory has struck the West Indies, causing untold loss and much personal suffering. In all the islands the story is the same.

Porto Rico alone shows little effect from it, though the south side of the island is burned and devastated. Elsewhere on the island the green valleys and mountains afford a striking contrast with its neighbors.

In Jamaica the drought is in its third year. Cattle are dying off. Children are suffering from lack of water and milk. Pastures are parched. Fruit and vegetable crops have been destroyed or damaged where irrigation is not practiced. There is an abundance of water in the mountains, but the valleys and plains receive little benefit from it. The occasional showers are confined to the hills. On the lower slopes people are desperate.

On the island of Haiti or Santo Domingo the two republics of those names report a similar condition. Some of the natives have to carry water for miles, usually in gourds carried on their heads.

In Cuba the southern half of the island suffers similarly. In the north they have had some rain.

So acute is the situation in the Virgin Islands that American engineers are being rushed to St. Thomas to see what can be done to relieve the plight of the inhabitants, who are literally begging for water.

Cause Of Tonsil Trouble

Refined Sugar Very Unhealthy, Says Indiana Expert

Ninety per cent. of all tonsil trouble is caused from eating sugar refined by modern methods.

This was the statement made by David H. Reeder, diagnostician at Laporte, Ind. "The high temperatures to which sugar is subjected in modern process of refining takes out all the food value," he continued. "And it makes it very unhealthful. If more persons would realize this, demand for sugar would become so small that sugar profiteers would be run out of business.

"If I were a throat specialist and had no conscience I would put up a candy shop in the city and give away all day suckers to the children that came out of the building. In a few weeks' time I would have so much business that I could not take care of it."

Big Coal Production Despite Strikes

Notwithstanding several miners' strikes during the year, the coal production of Alberta in 1922 exceeded that of the preceding year by 38,549 tons. The figures were 5,975,711 tons, representing the total output of all grades of coal in all parts of the province. Some 330 mines were in operation during the years for part or whole time.—From the Black Diamond.

Car For Every Two Families

Figures published by the Bureau of Public Roads in Washington show that 12,238,375 motor cars were registered last year in the United States. This means, officials say, that one of every two American families owns a car. Last year 1,775,000 were added to the list of owners. The bureau believes that the number of cars will reach 15,000,000 in two years.

On the average every man, woman and child in Great Britain pays a little more than $100 a year in taxation.

In the United States over 6,400,000 acres of land lie abandoned on account of weed growth.

EXCRUCIATING PAINS, CRAMPS

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Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a medicine for ailments common to women. It has been used for such troubles for nearly fifty years, and thousands of women have found relief as did Mrs. Yott, by taking this splendid medicine.

If you are suffering from irregularity, painful times, nervousness, headache, backache or melancholia, you should at once begin to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. It is excellent to strengthen the system and help to perform its functions with ease and regularity. C

The Moscow Crime

Political Blunder Inspired by a Hatred of Christianity

The Russian Government has carried out the death sentence on Vicar-General Butchkavitch, the Roman Catholic prelate convicted of treasonable conspiracy. The Communists of Moscow are in the line of succession to the Communists of Paris who, in the Red Week in May, 1871, massacred the Archbishop of Paris and the Dominion monks at Arcueil. They were and are inspired by the hatred of Christianity and the resolve to suppress any religious organization which holds that there is a realm of conscience which the secular authority cannot invade. The Bolshevists have not yet come to the extreme of forbidding Christian worship, but they have turned the State into an engine of atheistic propaganda, and are using even the schools to root from the minds of the children the idea of God and immortality, or any spiritual conception whatsoever.

There is nothing surprising in the judicial murder of a priest by the tyrants at Moscow except the political folly of it. The Vicar-General was a Pole; the majority of the Poles are Catholics, and Poland is Russia's most formidable neighbor. The incident makes a peaceful understanding between the two nations impossible. It has so outraged public sentiment in Great Britain and France as to delay the recognition which Moscow has been seeking from London to Paris. Merely on the ground of policy the deed is a frightful blunder; but who looks for political wisdom from despotism, whether Czarist or Communist?—From the Toronto Globe.

U.S. Abandoned Great Plan

Originated League of Nations and Will Not Support It

Lord Robert Cecil has drawn the attention of the people of the United States to the fact that soon their country may be the only one not in the League of Nations.

England, he said, will support Germany's application for membership, and Turkey already has made advances to join, and this would leave the United States alone on the outside.

This situation, if it comes about, would be all the more extraordinary when the fact is recalled that it was the United States which originated the proposal that there should be such a league in the interests of peace and for the benefit of humanity.

As long as the project was only an ideal to talk about—something fine, but probably unattainable—the United States occupied the centre of the stage in its advocacy. As soon as the project took practical form the United States backed away from it.

If the nations of the world fail to come together under a system of international law and justice, preventing wars, massacres, oppressions, brigandages, the nation that drew back, held out, and brought the noble ideal to failure and frustration will have been the American Republic and no other nation.—From the Toronto Star.

Quaint Charities

Prizes For Men Who Marry the Ugliest Women

In Montreal a few years ago a man left his dog in the care of the church he attended and to which he left his money. But Germany is the country for quaint charities. In the little town of Hoschmann there is a bequest that provides prizes for the men who marry the ugliest, the most crippled and the women over forty who have been jilted at least twice. The awards are made every year. The ugliest woman gets a dowry of $90; the most crippled $60; and the woman over forty $50. The trustees have the power to increase the amount in the case of any man who marries a more than usually ugly woman. This strange charity is the result of a wealthy man's discovery of the great power of beauty. He wished to help those women who are without it.

Thrift Has Moral Value

Is Character Tonic for Both Individual and Nation

Addiction to extravagance saps the foundations of good citizenship. For just as it is true that no person can practice thrift without being a better citizen, so it is equally the case that the will and the moral fibre are weakened by the placing of a false estimate on the pleasures that "easy spending" can bring. Thrift has a moral, as well as a material, value alike for the individual and for the nation. It is a character tonic for both. And both individually and collectively, we need to lay that truth to heart if we are to cope successfully with the many and complex problems presented by the days in which we are living.—Montreal Journal of Commerce.

Claims Greatest Business Woman

Japan claims the world's greatest business woman in Mrs. Yone Suzuki, a widow said to be worth $150,000,000. She owns fleets of steamships, factories all over the Far East, and has offices in America, Great Britain and on the continent of Europe.

In Paraguay they have a very small cat, three pounds in weight at maturity, which never caterwauls.

Census Bulletin On Religions

Only 173,143 Non-Christians Listed In Canada

Canadians to the extent of 97.6 per cent. belong to some Christian denomination, according to a census bulletin on religions issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. In other words, of a total population of 8,788,483, there are 8,572,516 classified as Christians. Non-Christians number only 173,143, or 1.9 per cent., including 125,190 Jews, 40,727 Orientals and 7,226 Pagans. This leaves less than one-half of one per cent. otherwise reported.

Roman Catholics in Canada number 3,383,663 or 38.50 per cent., as against 39.31 per cent. ten years earlier.

Presbyterians are given as 1,408,812, or 16.03 per cent. In 1911, the percentage was 15.48.

Methodists throughout Canada number 1,158,744, or 13.18 per cent. of population against 14.98 per cent. in 1911.

Anglicans are shown as numbering 1,407,959, or 16.02 per cent. compared with 14.47 per cent. in 1911.

Baptists number 421,730, or 4.80 per cent. compared with 5.31 per cent. in 1911.

On the date the census was taken, June 1, 1921, there were in Canada 19,656 Mormons, 12,658 Doukhobors, 169,822 adherents of the Greek Church, 11,288 Buddhists, 27,319 Confucians and 478 Mohammedans. Sikhs and Hindus are given as 849, and Shintos 427. Atheists are shown as numbering 1,041, agnostics 594, and free thinkers 1,126.

Scientists' New Theory

Land Submersion Takes Place Every 25,000,000 Years

Oceans will rise up, continents will drown, and England will become a seapool. This is the latest accepted theory of the scientists of the end of all things—25,000,000 years hence.

The scientific prophecy of a new earth to be—based on carefully calculated data—was made by Sir Edward John Russell, the eminent scientist, who is director of the Rothamsted Experimental Station for Agricultural Research, at Harpenden. The theory of the land submersion was first mentioned by Sir Edward Russell in a public lecture at Shrewsbury.

"The speculations of what will occur are not mine," said Sir Edward. "They are those of Professor John Joly, the geologist of Trinity College, Dublin.

"Continents are now regarded as being great rafts of land floating in a sea of molten material—probably basalt. The oceans are saucers floating on the same substance.

"The sea of molten basalt is not very fluid, but every 25,000,000 or 30,000,000 years there is a rise of temperature in the basalt due to radio-active elements, and the molten sea becomes more fluid and less dense. The continental rafts, therefore, sink into the sea of molten basalt, and the waters of the ocean pour over what has been the land.

"After a time some of the heat is lost, the basalt becomes denser, and the continents rise again. Then, after another period of 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 years, the process is repeated. There is another subsidence and another emergence. There have been at least two such subsidences in this country, and there will probably be another."

Gentle Art of Duelling

Practice Was Rife in England a Little Over a Hundred Years Ago

Sixty duels in seventy-four years was the record of Paul Devilliers, a Parisian physician. He always maintained that duelling was safer than fist-fighting. He has just died in his bed. He was one of the group who opposed the abolition of duelling in France when Bonneroy, Minister of Justice, instituted criminal prosecution. A little over a hundred years ago duelling was rife in England. It began about the time of James I. Wellington, the Duke of York, Pitt, Fox, all fought duels. In 1808 an officer was hanged for killing an opponent, but there was a suspicion of foul play. In 1813, all the participants in a fatal duel, seconds and witnesses, were sentenced to death and only pardoned by royal clemency. It was finally abolished through the influence of Victoria and Albert and a special article of war added in 1843 which ended duelling in the British army.

Capturing a Whale

When a whale is captured an instrument like a gigantic hypodermic syringe is inserted into the dead body and air is pumped in until the whale floats. Then, if other whales are about, a flag is stuck in the blubber and the quarry cast adrift; a fresh line is coiled and the chase begins afresh. The harpoon is shot from a gun.

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Trees a Thousand Years Old

Giant Yew Trees of England Survive From Remote Ages

How many people realize the great age of the sombre yew trees scattered up and down the land in the British Isles? asks Bassett Digby, F.R.G.S.

Many a shady British yew now standing gave shelter from sun or rain to Anglo-Saxon wayfarers before the Norman Conquest, he continues. There is ample reason for its having been planted so extensively in churchyards as symbols of immortality.

The giant yew at Aldsworth, in Berkshire, is over 1,000 years old, and still flourishing. No one knows how many centuries have elapsed since it considered that it had grown enough. Twenty-seven feet round today, it measured just the same in 1760, when a note of its girth was made in More's "Berkshire Queries." The Buckelbury yew, also in Berkshire, by an odd coincidence, is of just the same size.

The leaning yew at Iffley, near Oxford—unless it has been cut down since I saw it last—is accounted to be the oldest tree in England.

It is interesting to realize, when you look at an old yew, that your forefathers must have cut branches from it with which to make their bows.

There is a gap of centuries between the birth of Britain's oldest yews and the birth of Britain's oldest oaks and elms. Not an oak in Great Britain has been found, when cut down and the annual growth rings counted, to be 500 years old; and elms live a century less.

Took Prisoner Over Eight Hundred Miles

Eskimo Murderer Now Awaiting Trial At Herschel Island

From the Fitzgerald detachment of the R.C.M.P. word has reached Major C. L. Jennings, at Edmonton, regarding the taking to Aklavik for trial of the Eskimo murderer of Constable Doak of the force, and P. Binder, post manager for the Hudson's Bay Company. On the trip to where the prisoner was handed over to await trial seven hundred miles of the Arctic coast line was covered by dog team and a further 125 miles by schooner.

According to the belated reports, now to hand, Constable Stevenson of the frontier forcer left Three Rivers detachment (on Coronation Gulf) with a native sled and six dogs, en route for Herschel Island with the prisoner, one Alacoomiack. The police officer was also accompanied by Peter Norberg of the H.B.C., who was then on his way to the "outside" from his post on Kent Peninsula.

Two or three feet of crusted snow covered the trail in places and difficult travelling was met at times, and on one occasion it took the party ten hours to cover eight-mile portage.

Once arrived at the Mackenzie delta the party were forced to camp for a month until the ice went out and they were able to proceed up river by schooner. The accused will come up for trial at Herschel Island during the coming summer.

Reading For Speed

Twenty Thousand Words An Hour Is the Average Speed

Most persons, in reading printed matter, glance only at the top half of the letters before them on the page. The truth of this statement is easily proved by covering first the bottom and then the top half of a line of letters. When the bottom half is covered the average reader has little difficulty in following the sense. When the top is concealed, however, he finds himself immediately at a loss. The speed at which a person can read and take in the sense of what he is reading varies enormously in individuals. The ordinary reader can get through about 20,000 words in an hour. Fast readers can easily double this speed. A unique case was that of a famous man of learning who could read and remember more than fifty words a second. He is said to have read six novels a day.

They All Struggle

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A Woman Pirate

Commands Score of Chinese Brigands Who Obey Her Implicity

There recently appeared on the river at Hong Kong, much to the alarm of shipowners and their crews, a woman pirate, who has already taken a heavy toll of loot from vessels. Nothing is known of her, except the fact that she speaks English, wears a serge costume and Wellington boots, and carries a wicked-looking revolver, with which she compels her victims to surrender. Under her are a score or more Chinese brigands, who, although they are cut-throats and robbers, obey her implicity.

GASSED OVERSEAS SHELL SHOCKED and RHEUMATISM

Mr. F. M. Blaquiere, Morinville, Alta., writes:—"After three years service overseas I returned to Canada almost a complete wreck. I had been gassed, and was suffering from shell shock and rheumatism, and was so nervous I could not sleep at night. I tried many medicines and doctors, but none of them did me any good for any length of time. I got so bad, in the Fall of 1919, my hands were so shaky I could scarcely hold anything, and it seemed as if I had a steel band pressing on my head. The least excitement would almost drive me into fits, and my whole system seemed to be in disorder. I had cramps in my legs nearly every night, and hot and cold chills running up and down my back nearly all the time. One day I decided to try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and after I had taken six boxes I began to feel better. I kept on using them and after a while I was completely relieved."

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Western Horses Shipped to East

A revival of the horse business with Eastern Canada is reported from several sources. New Ontario has bought horses from Northern Alberta, Calgary reports a shipment to Prince Edward Island, and Manitoba has sold two car loads recently to Nova Scotia. It is said that Newfoundland is looking to the west to meet its needs, as Eastern Canada has stopped growing horses in excess of its own requirements.

Soft Answer

A witty as well as a soft answer will sometimes turn away wrath. A candidate in the midst of a stirring address was struck full in the face with a rotten egg. Pausing to wipe away the contents of the missile, he calmly continued, "I have always contended that my honorable opponent's arguments were extremely unsound."

Motor traffic is so heavy in London that roadways are now built up on concrete foundations 12 inches thick, instead of 6 inches as a few years ago.

New Microscope Perfected

Will Dissect Matter that is Invisible to the Naked Eye

A micro-vivisection apparatus, governed by finely adjusted screws, whose work is so delicate and minutely exact as to enable it to dissect living human cells which are actually invisible to the naked eye, has been perfected by Prof. C. E. Tharaldsen, of the Department of Zoology, of Northwest University, according to an announcement made at the university.

"For years scientists have been making repeated attempts to break through the barriers surrounding the invisible protoplasms which make up the human body, on the theory that once the complete basis cell is perfectly understood, the control of the greater machine will be vastly expedited," says the announcement, which adds: "The new invention accomplishes this."

The little device can be held in the palm of one hand. It is of brass, with various screws manipulating the arms, which in turn govern glass needles and pipettes that literally cut the living cells which are suspended in a hanging drop of nutrient fluid under the lense of a microscope.

A year ago Professor Tharaldsen invented a paraffin oven which greatly simplified the work of research in laboratories. None of his inventions, he says, will be sold for his personal profit, but will be turned over to humanity for whatever good use they will serve.

Salt Production In Canada

Immense Deposits of Glauber Salts in Saskatchewan

In 1922 Canada produced 2,418 tons of salt cake, valued at $54,804, and 1,329 tons of glauber salts, valued at $42,719 according to government figures. There are a number of immense deposits of glauber salt in Saskatchewan which at the present time, are only in the initial stages of development, but it is anticipated that the next few years will see a considerable increase in production.

Grain Handled at Vancouver

A total of 13,098,060 bushels of grain were handled at the terminal elevator at Vancouver during 1922, according to a statement made by Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Trade and Commerce. Of this amount 12,908,088 bushels were wheat. Total receipts at the elevator were $171,273, and total expenditures $73,868.

Without the love of books the richest man is poor, but endowed with this treasure of treasures, the poorest man is rich.—J. A. Langford.

The Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines at Fairbanks, the most northerly institution of its kind, now is engaged in its first year of work.

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Wheat Board Bill Meets With Defeat In Manitoba Legislature

Winnipeg.—The Wheat Board Bill introduced in the Legislature by Premier John Bracken, providing for Manitoba's participation in the establishment of a western compulsory wheat board, was defeated in the Legislature when the measure was up for second reading. The vote was 24 to 21.

Defeat of the bill does not involve resignation of the Government, Premier Bracken having announced recently that this would not be regarded in the light of a vote of want of confidence, and having given members of his party entire freedom to vote as they saw fit.

Hon. Neil Cameron, Hon. F. M. Black and Hon. W. R. Craig, were the three ministers who supported the Opposition in killing the bill, as well as I. B. Griffiths, W. J. Shortt and W. C. McKinnell, all members of the Farmers' party. Eighteen members of the Government party, including Premier Bracken and Hon. D. L. McLeod, Provincial Secretary, cast their votes in favor of the bill, as did two Labor members, C. A. Tanner and W. D. Bayley, and one Independent, Joseph Hamelin, who supported at the behest of his constituents, being personally against the principle of the bill, as he announced.

Calgary.—"Manitoba has deserted, and we will have to get along without her," said H. W. Wood, President of the United Farmers of Alberta, when told that the Bracken Wheat Board Bill had been defeated in the Manitoba Legislature.

"The whole matter is in the hands of the governments of the provinces concerned, and they must decide what action will be taken," Mr. Wood said.

"I presume that Alberta and Saskatchewan will go ahead with the wheat board without Manitoba."

DISCUSS BILL IN HOUSE TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE LIVESTOCK ACT

Ottawa.—A bill to amend and consolidate acts respecting livestock was considered in the House. Among other things, the bill provides that a commission man selling livestock must deposit any monies received for the same to a separate account and not disburse the money, except in accordance with regulations made by the exchange and approved by the minister.

Robert Forke thought these regulations very necessary. Recently, he said, a Winnipeg firm, which had been regarded as reliable, had failed and a number of farmers had lost the purchase price for some carloads of stock.

Hon. S. F. Tolmie moved an amendment which, he said, was designed to appear as a clause at the end of the bill, and provided "that in every case where, in the opinion of a veterinary inspector, duly appointed in accordance with the provisions of the Animals Contagious Diseases Act, a contagious disease of animals exists, or is expected to exist, the Animal Contagious Diseases Act shall prevail as against this act or all or any other acts relating to livestock or livestock yards."

Hon. W. R. Motherwell, Minister of Agriculture, said he would leave the bill in committee and consider the amendment. Progress was reported.

Discounts Gloom Stories

Hon. C. M. Hamilton Tells of Conditions In Saskatchewan

Ottawa.—Hon. C. M. Hamilton, Minister of Agriculture in the Saskatchewan Government, the principal witness before the special committee on agriculture, discounted the story of pessimism and gloom which a series of witnesses, supported by a number of members, have been actively preaching this session.

Mr. Hamilton pointed out that his own province had already loaned eight million dollars on farm mortgages and had been able to float farm loan debentures bearing interest at five per cent. per annum.

He told the committee there had been a great improvement in agricultural conditions in Saskatchewan. The Soldier Settlement Board had reported that 82 per cent. of the veterans in South Saskatchewan were making payments and some of them accumulating a reserve. The amount of unpaid taxes had decreased, and overdrafts from municipalities upon the banks had been cut in two. The principle trouble today was that the purchasing power of the farmer's dollar had diminished. The farmer had to pay too much for freight and for nearly everything he purchased. The reduction in rail rates by Parliament had been very beneficial, but the gain had been largely absorbed in increased rates on the Great Lakes and ocean. Mr. Hamilton was inclined to think that many farmers had handicapped themselves by buying land at war prices. He also thought that the higher standard of living among the farmers made it more difficult for the farmer to get along. He dwelt upon the 60,532 automobiles in the province of Saskatchewan, many of them used mainly, or altogether, for pleasure.

Chairman McMaster suggested that the people riding in automobiles were not spending money on the movies or in the poolroom, and were probably greatly benefitted by the outdoor exercise. The provincial minister protested that he did not want to see the farmer give up his automobile, but the increased cost of living was a factor that could not be ignored. He pointed out that on many farms in Saskatchewan there were no cows, swine or poultry. He did not believe the farmers should be spending money for meat, butter and milk, as all these things should be produced on the self-contained farm. Production could not be greatly increased, but the farmer could live more economically without any real discomfort.

To Prevent Rum Smuggling

Washington.—New representations on the subject of rum smuggling have been made by the United States state department to the British Government which is requested in friendly terms to co-operate in preventing vessels flying the British flag from engaging in liquor traffic between United States and foreign ports.

Among the subjects taken up was the question of cancelling the British registry of rum vessels which are found to be actually controlled by United States interests. The British ambassador also was asked to use his good offices to obtain an agreement between the United States and Canada by which the Dominion authorities would stop issuing clearances to vessels with liquor cargoes designated to the United States.

Asks Extension For Highway Grant

Ottawa.—Hon. C. P. Graham, Acting Minister of Railways, has given notice of a motion in the House to extend for a further two years the time within which the various provinces may earn and be paid the sums allotted to them under the Federal Highways Act.

Citizens Will Be Armed

London.—A Dublin despatch to the Times says the Free State Government has decided to issue revolvers and ammunition to well disposed citizens for the protection of their lives and property in view of the prevalence of robbery which in many instances has been accompanied by violence.

U. F. O. Decide To Go To The Country As A Solid Group

Toronto.—Within 24 hours after the decision of the Ontario Liberals to have no truck or trade with the Farmers' Government, Premier Drury, at headquarters of the United Farmers of Ontario, agreed to the demands laid down on April 14 by the Farmers' Sun, and smoked the pipe of peace with Secretary J. J. Morrison and members of the U.F.O. executive.

If the truce lasts long enough, the farmers will go to the country as a solid group. But there must be no "broadening out" either before or after the election, without the consent of the organization.

According to an official statement handed out from the U.F.O. offices after the conference, the Premier has pledged himself, in the event of the Government lacking a majority after the election, to call a conference of the elected members, the defeated candidates, and the executive of the United Farmers and affiliated organizations and be guided by the decision reached.

Two weeks ago, in a speech at Milton, the Premier took up the challenge of the Farmers' Sun and refused to promise that he would not accept the support of either of the other parties, "believing in our record" after the election as a means of continuing the U.F.O. Government in power. What he practically refused to do two weeks ago the Premier has done now.

Hon. Manning Doherty was the mediator between the Premier and the organizations.

Alberta Liquor Vote Nov. 5

Opposing Forces Are Preparing for a Long Fight

Edmonton.—Alberta electors will decide on Monday, November 5, what form of liquor legislation shall be enacted in the province for the three years following.

Premier Greenfield and his colleagues in the Government decided on the above date as most advisable for the holding of the referendum which was authorized by the Legislature last week.

Although it was at first thought expedient to have the vote in July, Cabinet opinions changed during the last two or three days, and it was apparently felt judicious to hold off the balloting until after harvest and threshing in the province.

It is understood that both the prohibition and moderation forces were favorable to a prolonged campaign, rather than a short and strenuous one, as would have been inevitable had the vote been taken in July, only a short time after farmers usually finish with their seeding.

Prospective Loan For Persia

U.S. Syndicate May Help Angora Government, Says Report

London.—The loan which a United States syndicate is reported to be considering for the Persian Government would, if made, take the place of that contemplated by Great Britain under the Anglo-Persian agreement which Persia failed to ratify two years ago, according to the diplomatic correspondent of the Daily Telegraph. The writer, who recently professed to have learned of the prospective loan, suggests that knowledge of these negotiations may have prompted the Turkish Nationalist Government to an immediate substantial advance from the Chester syndicate. This request, the correspondent adds, possibly accounts for reported differences between members of the syndicate. The writer asserts that the Angora Government is in a bad financial position.

Russia's Girl Judge Is Keeping Busy

Has Imposed Death Penalty On 25 Persons Since February

Moscow. — Anna Guizmann, 23 years old, presiding judge of the Moscow district court, who, a few days ago, sent seven men to their death for robbery, informed the Associated Press correspondent that she had imposed the death penalty on about 25 persons since February, and had not lost a moment's sleep or been troubled by her conscience because of them.

The new figure in Communist activities is a native of Kishinev, Bessarabia, of Jewish parentage. She had to quit school and go to work when 13 years old, but later studied law at Odessa University.

Must Become Naturalized

U.S. Radio Company Issues Order to Canadian Employees

New York.—Sixty-six employees of the Radio Corporation of America, most of them Canadians by birth, will lose their positions, unless they become citizens of the United States, J. G. Harbord, President of the company, issued an order requiring all alien employees to take out naturalization papers. If they do not, he said, "they are at liberty to leave."

The Radio Corporation was organized as the American Marconi Company, with most of its officers British or Canadian, since being taken over by U.S. capital, naturalization has been vigorously urged.

Clothing Workers Open Bank

New York.—The first bank to be operated in this state by a union labor organization, the Amalgamated Bank founded by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, has just opened its doors. The organization recently opened a bank in Chicago.

WESTERN EDITORS

A. S. McDowell, Proprietor of The Star, Lemberg, Sask.

H. B. Road Again

Government Favors Thorough Investigation Into Feasibility of Route

Ottawa.—The western demand for completion of the Hudson Bay Railway was the principal theme before a recent caucus of the Liberal members, and the Government's policy towards the enterprise will likely be determined by the counsel given. The gist of it favors a thorough investigation into the feasibility of the route.

The proposed inquiry may be made under the direction of Sir Henry Thornton, this being the probable course. It would embrace the cost of completing the railway, the question whether the contiguous territory would be productive, the cost of terminals at Port Nelson, operating conditions of navigation in the straits, and also the question whether or not high marine insurance rates would offset the advantages of a lowered cost of rail transport resulting from the shorter haul. There is no question that Parliamentary sentiment from the east is adverse to completion of the line, at least until its feasibility, in all respects, is fully demonstrated, while it is believed that western opinion strongly supporting the road will welcome an investigation.

Must Make Offer to Paris

France Will Deal With Any Offered Settlement In Ruhr

London.—The prospect of Germany making a definite reparations offer, especially with reference to a settlement of the Ruhr situation, is widely discussed in the press. The view is generally taken that recent utterances of German statesmen and comments by German newspapers point to the likelihood that an important pronouncement on this subject will be forthcoming from Berlin in the near future. Opinions differ as to whether such a pronouncement would contain an outright offer in figures. It has been hinted here that Lord Curzon has suggested to Germany a sum which would be acceptable to the Allies, but the Times professes the ability to deny this report. The newspaper also gives utterances of Allied statesmen showing that any offer of settlement in the Ruhr must be made directly to Paris and not to London or elsewhere.

Executions In Ireland

Tralee, County Kerry—Richard Hathway, James McElhy and John Greaney were executed here by the Free State authorities. Hathway, who was a deserter from a British regiment, was captured in the recent siege of a cave in which a band of irregulars were holding out on the Kerry cliffs.

May Abolish Conferring Titles In S.A.

Cape Town, South Africa—In the House of Assembly, Labor Leader Cresswell indicated his intention to move for an address praying the King to refrain from conferring titles on residents of the Union of South Africa.

FUTURE CANADIAN CITIZENS

These four sturdy English boys are arriving in Canada on the Montcalm to study western farming methods. In the Daily Mail competition conducted among all the Young Farmers' Clubs of the British Isles they were adjudged the prizewinners. Mr. E. W. Beatty, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway, has given them the opportunity of visiting Canada and studying Canadian agriculture. They will spend the summer at the Agricultural College at Olds, Alberta, and return to their homes in the fall. Reading from right to left the lucky youths are: Leonard Grimmer, Clifford White, Gordon Salter and Joseph Murray.

Capture U.S. Fishing Vessel

Canadian Boat Fires on American Schooner When Order to Stop Is Ignored

Ottawa.—Details of the capture of the United States fishing schooner Siloam, of Seattle, were made public by the Marine Department. The statement says the fishery protection steamer Malaspina (Captain Newcombe), sighted the Siloam engaged in fishing within one mile of Solander Island, about a mile off the west coast of Vancouver Island, near Cape Cook.

When no attention was paid to the Malaspina's three whistles, the usual signal to stop, the Malaspina fired three blanks across the bow of the schooner. The latter continuing, two solid shots were fired, but still no attention was paid. The captain of the Malaspina than hailed the captain of the schooner, requesting him to stop, but he declined. Two solid shots were then fired, but missed, after which the Malaspina ranged alongside and demanded that the schooner stop, warning the captain that if these instructions were not obeyed, the vessel would be sunk. The schooner insisted on paying no attention to this warning, consequently no alternative was left to the captain of the Malaspina but to fire a rifle volley at the pilot house, resulting in one of the crew being hit in the shoulder. The schooner then stopped, and the crew brought the wounded man on board the Malaspina. The schooner's boat then headed for the shore. The Malaspina lowered a boat at once and a line was put on board the schooner, when it was discovered that the crew had scuttled her before leaving.

Shortage Of Farm Labor

Many Workers Required by Farmers In Western Provinces

Winnipeg.—With few men leaving British Columbia for farm work this spring, a widespread shortage in the supply of farm labor is reported from the three prairie provinces.

Two thousand workers are required by the farmers of Manitoba and Saskatchewan, each province having 1,000 unfilled applications, while Alberta is also asking for outside assistance. The Regina, Moose Jaw and Saskatoon districts can place 500 at once, according to G. E. Tomsett, Saskatchewan Superintendent of the Employment Service of Canada, who discussed the situation here with the Dominion Western Superintendent, Major L. F. Howard. The pay offered in the applications from Regina, Moose Jaw and Saskatoon districts range from $50 to $55 per month, with the usual daily bonus being granted during harvest. Mr. Tomsett said other Saskatchewan districts want farm helpers at wages ranging from $40 to $45 per month until harvest time, when the bonus will be paid.

Britain Sends Largest Number of Emigrants

3,570 Came to Canada From United Kingdom in March

Ottawa.—Immigration increased 22 per cent. during March as compared with March of the previous year. Of 6,748 immigrants last month 3,570 are British and 1,661 from the United States. In March of last year immigrants totalled 5,548 of which 1,504 were British and 2,670 from the United States.

For the twelve months ending March, total immigration was 72,887—a decrease of 19 per cent. in comparison with the corresponding 12 months previous.

Dr. Banting Made Research Professor

Toronto University Receives $10,000 Annually For Treating Diabetes

Toronto.—Dr. F. G. Banting, discoverer of insulin, is to be made a research professor at Toronto University under a bill introduced in the Legislature. The act is to be known as the Banting and Best Medical Research Act and calls for the annual payment of $10,000 to the governors of the University of Toronto, who are to set it aside as the Banting and Best fund for the amelioration of the condition of persons suffering from diabetes.

Earthquake Reported

Victoria.—An earthquake of moderate intensity with well-defined records on all instruments is reported from Gonzales observatory. The record continued for an hour. The distance is estimated at about one thousand miles from Victoria.

Home Work Abolished

Windsor, Ont.—Abolition of the home work system in Windsor public schools was ordered by the Board of Education after Trustee C. H. Smith attacked the system as "cruel and obsolete."

Rescued From Afghans

Simla.—Molly Ellis, the 15-year-old girl, who was recently rescued from a band of Afghan tribesmen, has reached Peshawar with Sir John Maffey, Chief Commissioner of the Northwest Frontier Provinces.

Immigrants From Holland

Amsterdam.—The Dutch Premier states the Government is considering the matter of emigration of unemployed people in Holland to Canada. One hundred men will leave Holland shortly for the Dominion.

Brilliant Scenes At Royal Wedding In Westminster Abbey

London.—The Duke of York and Lady Elizabeth Bowes-Lyon joined hands and hearts before the golden altar in Westminster Abbey while all Britain poured out its blessings.

The great edifice in Parliament Square, which enshrines within its hallowed walls the mortal remains of kings, queens, martyrs, saints and heroes, has been the scene of a thousand national ceremonies of transcending interest, but it has witnessed few that surpassed the beauty and solemnity this romantic event.

All the members of the Royal family and a brilliant array of foreign princes, nobles, ambassadors and ministers, with their ladies, were there.

The entire service was conducted with the traditional precision of British royal events. Only when the bride was called upon by the Archbishop of Canterbury to repeat the solemn ritual, beginning: "I take thee to be my wedded husband," did her manner betoken any sign of nervousness. Her voice was scarcely audible to the vast congregation.

The bridegroom gave the impression of a man at happy ease. The venerable Dowager Queen Alexandra gave the regal ceremony a human touch by moving out of her place and bestowing kisses upon the members of the party as they came within the chancel.

Next to the bride and groom, Princess Mary and the Prince of Wales were the objects of the most attention. Wales appeared to be the calmest man in the Abbey, and he toyed with the plume of his three-cornered military hat during the entire ceremony. At one point Alexandra leaned toward him and whispered in his ear what some in the audience declared must have been good advice to a bachelor.

The bride, in the simplest and daintiest gown probably ever made for a royal marriage, moved slowly to the steps of the altar on the arm of her father, the Earl of Strathmore. She carried no bridal bouquet, having deposited it on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

She was joined soon afterwards by the bridegroom, who presented a striking figure in his blue uniform of the Royal Air Force, with the blue riband of the Garter across his shoulder and a golden sword at his side. The six bridesmaids, two of whom are soon to become brides themselves, stood behind the couple.

As the Duke and his bride joined hands, the sun, which had not revealed itself for several days, suddenly emerged from behind the mist, and its light, coming through the high valuted windows of the Abbey, cast an effulgence upon the gallant Duke, and his lovely bride and brought into bold relief the touches of gold, crimson and silver in the costumes of the brilliant assemblage of spectators.

The Duke stood fully a head taller than Lady Elizabeth, his erect muscular frame and the ruddy glow of his countenance contrasting strongly with the delicate figure of his bride, whose robe of unrelieved white seemed to accentuate the paleness of her features.

After the Archbishop of Canterbury had recited the usual ritual, the Duke placed the ring on the fourth finger of his bride's left hand and in a resolute voice said:

"With this ring I thee wed, with my body I thee worship, and with all my worldly goods I thee endow."

The Archbishop then offered prayer, pronounced the couple man and wife and proclaimed to the vast congregation: "Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder." He added his blessing, and the newly married pair advanced inside the sanctuary and knelt at the altar while the choir sang Wesley's chant.

The Archbishop of York delivered a brief address to the Duke and his bride, in which he said: "The warm generous heart of this people takes you today to itself; won't you, in response, take that heart, with all its joys and sorrows, into your own?" The service was concluded with a short prayer and benediction, and the congregation knelt in silent devotion. The royal couple then repaired to the chapel of Edward the Confessor, where they signed the marriage register.

An Excellent Fuel

Says Ontario People Fully Satisfied With Alberta Coal

Ottawa.—According to George R. Pratt, Fuel Engineer for Alberta, who is here supervising demonstrations of Alberta coal, the people of Ontario are fully satisfied that Alberta coal is an excellent fuel and would meet the requirements hitherto filled by American anthracite. He declares individuals testing the coal had reported very favorably. The difficulty at the present time was the delay of railway companies in reaching a decision as to freight rates. Speedy action was required, he said, if arrangements were to be made for shipments of coal during the summer months.

Japs Take Over Missionary Work

Tokio.—The conference of English and American episcopal bishops in session here announced it had been decided to hand over to the Japanese entire control of the ecclesiastical affairs of missionary work in Osaka and Tokio. This control has been held by the foreign missionary bishops for the past 60 years. The conference appointed two Japanese bishops, to whom the transfer of the work has be made.

Sealing Vessels Are Fighting Ice Barrier

Newfoundland Authorities Endeavor To Send Relief to Needy People

St. John, Nfld.—Sealing vessels returning from the annual hunt, are being used to try to force the ice barrier on the south coast of Newfoundland and carry food to starving people of the shore settlements.

For months the icebound coast has barred efforts of the Newfoundland authorities to send relief to the needy fisher folk. Conditions have been growing steadily worse and in some settlements food supplies have been completely exhausted. Vessels sent out from this port loaded with needed provisions have been caught and held in the ice.

Prepare For Opening of Navigation

Fort William—The first grain boat to navigate the Kam river was the Michael Gallagher, which was moved from the Grain Growers' to Patterson's elevator by the tug Strathmore. She is taking on a wheat cargo. In Port Arthur the Pollock is being loaded in preparation for resumption of navigation.

Says Oriental Problem In Canada Calls For Rigid Immigration Laws

Ottawa.—The greatest ally of the Oriental in entering Canada has been the apathy of the easterner, who persistently has refrained from carefully studying the situation, and who has always looked on the appeals of the British Columbian as being of a political nature and not taken this whole matter very seriously, according to Hon. Dr. S. F. Tolmie, member for Victoria in the Federal House, and a member of the Meighen Government.

Dr. Tolmie, in an interview with the Canadian Press, went on to say that in spite of British Columbia legislation, backed to the limit by business organizations and various associations, the people of the coast province have been met in the east by procrastinating politicians, who have failed to give us legislation that would properly meet the situation, and no single party is more to blame than the other in this particular respect." The result had been that they had seen "abortive legislation, half-way measures, jelly fishing for fear of hurting the feelings of the Orientals, until the Chinese question, once a very simple one, is now developed into an Oriental problem that is very difficult to meet.

"I want to say that this country and its representatives must wake up if we are to preserve Canada as a white man's country to be enjoyed by future generations.

Referring to a bill which is scheduled to come before the Commons at any time now, Dr. Tolmie said that "it proposes to leave wide open the entry of merchants into Canada."

"Anyone," he said, "familiar with the situation on the coast must know that we have too many Chinese merchants in this country now, and their competition is very keenly felt by those of our own race in the same line of business."

The clause covering merchants, he said, also will lead to a great deal of misrepresentation. "Experience of immigration agents in the past clearly shows that no loopholes should be left."

"There is only one kind of law to pass, and that is a law which means total exclusion, with the exception of permitting trade under proper regulations," he declared.

Dr. Tolmie reiterated that the Asiatic is not a desirable settler, that he will not assimilate, and if Canadians are to compete with him they must entirely change their standard of living. He urges that Canada profit by the experience of the United States, where, he said, much more severe immigration laws were passed after many thousands of immigrants of a low type had gained access to that country.

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Mineral Production Shows 25 per cent. Increase

Victoria, May 2.—British Columbia mining production for the past year, with a total output valued at $35,158,843, shows an increase of 25 per cent. over the previous year, according to the annual report of Hon. William Sloan, minister of mines. The actual increase for 1922 over 1921 was $7,092,202. If the rate of production which was reached last year, continues, 1923 will set a new high record. At the rate of acceleration mining is now making the total will run over $40,000,000 and perhaps near up the $50,000,000 mark, it is estimated.

Hon. Mr. Sloan states that mining conditions are such now that a fair margin of profit is being made by the miner. He adds:

"It is extremely gratifying to note that the output for the year has only been exceeded three times in the history of mining in the province. In 1916, when production reached over $42,000,000; in 1918, when the figure was nearly as great. and in 1920, when the value was $35,500,000.

In the first two years the production was the result of wartime stimulus and wartime prices for the metals.

"In the face of the explanation of the cause of these higher years, the output of 1922 is very creditable and indicates that normal conditions are returning and may be expected to remain," states the minister.

"As noted in last year's report, and still true, Europe is the world's metal market, to which practically all metals find their way. As Europe is the consumer, the industrial conditions of Europe regulate the consumption of, and demand for, the metals."

That Europe is still in a decidedly unsettled condition cannot be questioned, but despite this, the consumption of the metals seems to have increased and the greatly overstocked metal market on this continent, which accounted for the tremendous drop in prices in 1921, has been somewhat relieved, with the result that metal prices in 1922 have been materially higher than in 1921.

Talk of an impending general election in British Columbia is characterised as "poppycock" by Hon. J. D. MacLean, provincial secretary and minister of education, as well as other ministers of the cabinet. Enemies of the government are the only persons demanding an election, and their predictions are based upon false hopes, is the minister's statement.

Anaconda School Report for April

Miss H. E. Hopps, Teacher.

No. on roll	13
Average daily attendance	12.5
Percentage of attendance	96.
Total actual attendance	200

Proficiency list.

Entrance: Lilly Intilla.

Intermediate Grade 2nd Year: Andrew Anderson.

Intermediate Grade 1st Year: John Campolieto, Euginia Campolieto, Rosie Bombini.

Junior Grade 3rd Reader: Alice Hingley.

Junior Grade 2nd Reader: Arnold Bombini, Cynthia Dockstеader.

Beginner's Reader: George Hingley, Dorothy Boag, Elbert Granberg, Peter Maletta, Elmer Granberg.

Perfect attendance:

Andrew Anderson, Arnold Bombini, Rosie Bombini, Euginia Campolieto, John Campolieto, Alice Hingley, George Hingley, Lilly Intilla.

Midway School Report for April

O. M. Macklin, Teacher.

No. of pupils enrolled	37
No. attending during month	28
Average daily attendance	21.56
Percentage of attendance	77.

Proficiency list:

Senior Fifth Reader: Annie Thomet, Nellie Brown.

Junior Fifth Reader: Joy Sharp, Pearl Johnson, Alice McMynn, Ruth Carr, Leslie Salmon, Wilfred Carter.

Fourth Reader: Roy Sharp, Rosalie Brown, Leonard Moll, Kathleen Salmon.

Third Reader: May Sharp, Mayneen Bush, Johnny McMynn, Verna Evans, Lloyd Chase, Kenneth Stewart.

Second Reader (Junior): Gladwin Sharp, Jimmy Brown, Dorothy Birch.

Senior First Reader: Olwen Mair, Bernadine Brown.

Junior First Reader: Gordon Roberts, Alice Mair, Luceal Evans, Marion Mair, Billy Moll.

Punctuality and Attendance:

Joy Sharp, Roy Sharp, May Sharp, Gladwin Sharp, Annie Thomet, James Brown, Bernadine Brown, Pearl Johnson, John McMynn, Verna Evans, Luceal Evans.

Greenwood Riding Stock Breeders Association

No bulls of any description are allowed at large within the Greenwood Riding Bull District between March 1st and July 1st. Under the Animal's Act "The owner of any such animal permitting the same to run at large within the prohibited time and place aforesaid shall, for every such offence, be liable on summary conviction to a penalty of not more than fifty dollars."

The association stands behind all its members to help in the enforcing of the law.

(Signed) H. L. T. MARTIN,
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Norwegian Creek School Report for April

Ada M. Burnstill, Teacher.

Number of pupils	21
Total attendance	335.5
Average attendance	20.96
Percentage of attendance	99.8

Perfect Attendance:

Andrea Caron, Louis Caron, Jules Caron, May Clark, Lawrence Folvik, Alexina Gidon, Madeleine Gidon, Charles Riley, James Riley, Virginia Riley, Alice Watson, Daisy Watson, James Watson, Irene Watson, Yves Bohemier, Gisele Bohemier, Mai Bohemier, Marc Bohemier, Auge-Marie Bohemier, Bertille Bohemier.

Proficiency List

Jr. 5th Reader: Andrea Caron.

Fourth Reader: Yves Bohemier, Lawrence Folvik, Madeleine Gidon, Daisy Watson, Jules Caron.

Third Reader: Alice Watson, Louis Caron, Irene Watson, Gisele Bohemier, Marc Bohemier.

Second Reader: Mai Bohemier, Alexina Gidon.

First Reader: Charles Riley, Auge-Marie Bohemier, May Clark, James Riley, James Watson, Virginia Riley.

Receiving Class: Mary Gidon, Bertille Bohemier.

Boundary Falls School Report for April

Nellie Axam, Teacher

No. on Roll	19
Average attendance	16 28

Perfect Attendance:

Daniel Boltz, Alice Casselman, Caroline Casselman, Helen Casselman, Verdun Casselman, Beatrice Casselman, Gladys Mitchell, Andrew Swanlund, Annie Swanlund, Edna Swanlund, Louise Swanlund.

Proficiency list.

Fifth Reader, Senior: Annie Swanlund, Joseph Krouten.

Fifth Reader, Intermediate: Beatrice Casselman, Caroline Casselman.

Third Reader: Jovie Klinosky, Daniel Boltz, Alice Casselman, Andrew Swanlund, Annie Klinosky.

Second Reader: Helen Casselman, Frank Krouten

First Reader: Edna Swanlund, Verona Klinosky, Verdun Casselman, Louise Swanlund, Gladys Mitchell.

Receivers: Alfred Bouers, Mae Mitchell Alice Bouers equal.

Oliver's Challenge Accepted

A short time ago Premier Oliver in a speech at Salmon Arm challenged General McRae to a debate on any misdemeanor that the Government is accused of. General McRae immediately accepted the challenge the debate to take place any time after the middle of June at Salmon Arm where the challenge was made the subjects of debate to be

(1) The Liberal settlement of the P.G.E. question.

(2) The dealings of Ministers with their own firms.

Old newspapers for sale at The Ledge office. Get some before they are all gone.

Rock Creek Notes

A special donation of $15 was received by the President of the Farm Women from His Honor the Lieutenant Governor to be used as prizes for the Girls Sewing Club under the convenership of the Farm Women.

On May 28, 29, 30, 31 a cheese course will be given at Rock Creek by Mr. Kelly of the the Dairying Dept. of the University of British Columbia. The course will be entirely practical and will consist of four days of four hours actual instruction each day. During what time of the day the four hours of instruction are taken was left in the hands of the convener to suit the greatest number and after consultation with the members from 1.30 p.m. to 5 30 p.m. was decided. The Farm Women of Rock Creek are to be congratulated as this course will be the second one of this nature in the province.

Communication

Kettle Valley, B.C.,
May 1, 1923

Editor THE LEDGE:—
Dear Sir,—

I was much interested in a letter which appeared in The Ledge about 2 weeks ago from "Sportsman." It may interest the writer and others of your readers to know what the Provincial Party intends to do with regards Game Conservation when they are returned to power, as enunciated by General McRae in a speech at Victoria some time ago. The proposals are too long to go into detail. in this letter, but the principle is that Game Conservation should be put in the hands of the sportsmen themselves.

A Game Conservation Board could be formed, comprising a representative selected by the active game association in each game district. The appointment of a Chief Game Warden and assistants would be under the direct control of this Board. The revenue from the gun licenses would be expended as required under the guidance of the Conservation Board in the development of our game an fish.

Should "Sportsman" wish to see the proposal scheme in detail, I should be glad to furnish him with a copy.

Yours truly,
N. LEWIS.

Boy Scouts

Troop meets on Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the Fire Hall.

CUBS

The Cubs will meet on Saturday at 2 30 p. m. in the Fire Hall.

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LAND ACT

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TAKE NOTICE that 60 days after date I, Abel Trombley, of Eholt, B.C., occupation rancher, intend to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted 20 chains South of the North-West Corner of Lot 1737, thence South 20 chains; thence West 20 chains; thence North 20 chains; thence East 20 chains and containing 40 acres more or less, for grazing purposes.

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Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes and which is non-timber land.

Partnership pre-emptions abolished but parties of not more than four may arrange for adjacent pre-emptions with joint residences, but each making necessary improvements on respective claims.

Pre-emptors must occupy claims for five years and must make improvements to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivation of at least 5 acres, before receiving Crown Grant.

Where pre-emptor in occupation not less than 3 years, and has made proportionate improvements, he may because of ill-health, or other cause, be granted intermediate certificate of improvement and transfer his claim.

Records without permanent residence may be issued, provided applicant makes improvement to extent of $300 per annum and records same each year. Failure to make improvements or record same will operate as forfeiture. Title cannot be obtained in less than 5 years, and improvements of $10.00 per acre, including 5 acres cleared and cultivated, and residence of at least 2 years are required.

Pre-emptors holding Crown Grant may record another pre-emption, if he requires land in conjunction with his farm, without actual occupation, provided statutory improvements made and residence maintained on Crown granted land.

Unsurveyed areas not exceeding 20 acres, may be leased as homesites; title to be obtained after fulfilling residential and improvement conditions.

For grazing and industrial purposes areas exceeding 640 acres may be leased by one person or company.

Mill, factory or industrial sites on timber land not exceeding 40 acres may be purchased; conditions include payment of stumpage.

Natural hay meadows inaccessible by existing roads may be purchased conditional upon construction of a road to them. Rebate of one-half of cost of road, not exceeding half of purchase price, is made.

PRE-EMPTORS' FREE GRANTS ACT

The scope of this Act is enlarged to include all persons joining and serving with His Majesty's Forces. The time in which the heirs or devisees of a deceased pre-emptor may apply for title under this act is extended from one year from the death of such person, as formerly, until one year after the conclusion of the present war. This privilege is made retroactive.

No fees relating to pre-emptions are due or payable by soldiers on pre-emptions recorded after June 26, 1918. Taxes are remitted for five years.

Provisions for return of moneys accrued, due and been paid since August 4, 1914, on account of payments, fees or taxes on soldiers' pre-emptions.

Interest on agreements to purchase town or city lots held by members of Allied Forces, or dependents, acquired direct or indirect, remitted from enlistment to March 31st, 1920.

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Provision made for insurance of Crown Grants to sub-purchasers of Crown Lands, acquiring rights from purchasers who failed to complete purchase, involving forfeiture, on fulfillment of conditions of purchase, interest and taxes. Where sub-purchasers do not claim whole of original parcel, purchase price due and taxes may be distributed proportionately over whole area. Applications must be made by May 1, 1920.

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